Y20 Consultation Event at IIM on Feb 25

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INDIAN Institute of Management (IIM) Raipur is set to host the Youth 20 (Y20) Consultation Event on February 25.

The programme will be initiated on February 24 evening with a registration process followed by an ice-breaking session by Dr Ram Kumar Kakani, Director, IIM Raipur and cultural programme. Main event will take place on February 25.

The Y20, which was established in 2012, is the youthful counterpart to the G20 Summits, and it is the solitary formally recognized platform that provides a means for young people to interact with the G20. There are five themes for Youth 20 in the year. The first theme is Future of work: Industry 4.0, Innovation and the 21st Century while the second theme is Peace building and Reconciliation: Ushering in an Era of No War. Similarly, Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction: Making Sustainability a Way of Life, Shared Future: Youth in Democracy and Governance and Health, Wellbeing, and Sports: An Agenda for Youth are the other three themes. The Y20 Consultation Event at IIM Raipur will focus on the theme of 'Peace Building and Reconciliation: Ushering in an Era of No War'. Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports Anurag Singh Thakur will be the chief guest at the event. About 250 foreign and Indian delegates along with 75 college students from Chhattisgarh will be participating in the Y20 event at IIM Raipur campus.

Speaking about the event, Dr Ram Kumar Kakani said, "War is not the answer for the future generation. The Y20 summit consultation process is a perfect platform for the youth to share their voice and to ensure that this fantastic peace building process on complex and interconnected issues is viewed nicely in the modern-day schools of thought".

The conference will be attended by dignitaries from across the world including MoS for Tribal Affairs (GoI) Renuka Singh, who will deliver the guest of honour address. The conference will feature several panel discussions, keynote speeches and experience-sharing sessions. The panel discussion will focus on channelizing youth in conflict resolution featuring renowned panelists.

The Y20 Consultation Event is a significant opportunity for IIM Raipur to showcase its commitment to promoting the enthusiasm of peace building among the students and the youth.

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